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January 22, 2002 LB 16, 77, 259, 395, 559, 731, 860, 1204-1208 LR 279-281 284, 289

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the body, I would move that LB 860 be advanced to Select File, E & R Initial.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the closing. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 860. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 860.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: LB 860 advances. Mr. Clerk, new bill titles and items for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 1204-1208 by title for the first time.) Mr. President, new constitutional amendment, LR 289CA by Senator Brown would propose an amendment to Article III, Sections 5, 7 and 8 of the Nebraska Constitution. In addition, Mr. President, your Committee on Government, Military and Veterans Affairs, chaired by Senator Schimek, reports LB 16, LB 77, LB 395, LB 559, and LB 731 as indefinitely postponed. Hearing notice from the Education Committee on bills for next week. And resolutions LR 279, LR 280, LR 281, and LR 284 are now ready for your signature, Mr. President. And that's all that I have. (Legislative Journal pages 297-300.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LR 279, LR 280, LR 281, LR 284. Next move down to General File, LB 259. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 259, a bill originally introduced by Senator Wehrbein. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 5 of last year. At that time it was referred to the Revenue Committee for public hearing. Bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM0234, Legislative Journal page 525, First Session, 2001.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to open on the bill.